Resolution 20-34

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE CITY OF CHOCTAW UNTIL AUGUST 31, 2020

WHEREAS, Governor Stitt published Open Up and Recover Safely, a three-phase approach to open Oklahoma’s economy, on April 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City of Choctaw passed and adopted Resolution No. 20-30 on June 23, 2020 amending the declaration of a State of Emergency for the City of Choctaw extending the state of emergency until July 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, based on scientific modeling from public health experts the three-phase approach is intended to mitigate the risk of resurgence, protect Oklahoma’s most vulnerable citizens and is intended for businesses and individuals to utilize in conjunction with guidance from the OKC-County Health Department, the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, the Oklahoma Department of Health, and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC); and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Health and Mental Health will confirm prior to proceeding to a new phase that Oklahoma COVID-19 hospitalizations and incidents are at a manageable level, that hospitals are treating all patients without alternate care sites, that there is sufficient testing material in the state and ability to conduct contact tracing, and that the state can quickly and independently supply sufficient Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and critical medical equipment to handle the surge.

NOW THEREFORE, I, RANDY ROSS, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHOCTAW, OKLAHOMA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND DECLARE:

SECTION 1: A state of emergency exists within the corporate limits of the City of Choctaw, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma pursuant to Title 63 O.S. §24-683.1 et al, the Oklahoma Emergency Act of 2003.

SECTION 2: This proclamation shall become effective immediately upon signature by the Mayor.

SECTION 3: Resolution No 20-30, dated June 23, 2020, shall remain in full force and effect to the extent said resolution does not contradict this order and is hereby extended until the expiration of this emergency declaration.

SECTION 4: The declaration of a state of emergency shall be extended through August 31, 2020.

SECTION 5: Businesses within the corporate limits not requiring the wearing of face coverings or face masks shall be required to post notice at entrances recommending customers follow current CDC guidelines for face coverings, washing hands and physical distancing while in the facility.
SECTION 6: Any person not complying with the requirements of this Declaration may be subject to Section 8-1003 of the Choctaw Municipal Code.

SECTION 7: The City of Choctaw will continue to adhere to sanitation and physical distancing protocols and CDC-recommended guidelines from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce.

SECTION 8: For those over 65 or part of a vulnerable population, continue following physical distancing from others when in public and avoid socializing in groups or facilities that do not readily allow for appropriate physical distancing.

PROCLAIMED THIS 21st day of July, 2020.

Randy Ross, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amanda Valen, City Clerk

Approved as to form and legality this 21st day of July, 2020.

Ray Vincent, City Attorney